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Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mark Chao on November 10, 2005.

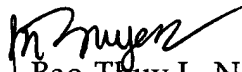
Claim 1: (currently amended) A monoclonal antibody that specifically binds to a peptide having an amino acid sequence of residues 12 to [20] 24 of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claim 12: (currently amended) The method of claim 6, in which the monoclonal antibody is P2L-1Ta [as secreted by hybridoma NIBH 6300].

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bao-Thuy L. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-0824. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. -4:30 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Long V. Le can be reached on (571) 272-0823. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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